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SUBJ: ABBE NATHAN MAKES BRIEF NOCTURNAL VISIT TO LEBANON

1. BEIRUT PRESS MORN DEC 3 REPORTS BRIEF VISIT EVENING DEC 2 BY "PEACE ACTIVIST ", ABBE NATHAN. ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS, NATHAN ARRIVED FROM PARIS VIA AIR FRANCE (ARRIVES APPROX 1900 LOCAL) AND TOOK TAXI INTO BEIRUT (LEADING DAILY NAHAR FEATURES PHOTO AT AIRPORT). HE WAS REPORTEDLY SIGHTED DURING FOLLOWING PERIOD OF SEVERAL HOURS NEAR LOCAL RESTAURANT (AJAMI), COMING OUT OF ST GEORGE HOTEL, VISITING SHOP SELLING ORIENTAL GOODS, (AT MINET AL HOSN) AND FINALLY PHOENICIA STREET (BEIRUT'S NIGHTCLUB ROW) WHERE HE WAS PICKED UP BY LEBANESE SECURITY MEN AT ABOUT MIDNIGHT.

2. PRESS REPORTS THAT NATHAN ENTERED COUNTRY WITH VALID VISA IN HIS PPT (NATIONALITY UNDISCLOSED). FOLLOWING HIS DETENTION, HE WAS REPORTEDLY TO HAVE BEEN DEPORTED BY GOL ON FIRST AVAILABLE FLIGHT TO COUNTRY OF HIS CHOICE (ALSO UNDISCLOSED). THERE IS NO INDICATION IN PRESS OF NATHAN'S PURPOSE IN VISITING BEIRUT,, ALTHOUGH HE APPARENTLY SPENT FIVE HOURS ENJOYING THE SIGHTS AND UNCLASSIFIED

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SOUNDS OF LEBANESE CAPITAL.

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